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## APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT

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### HARVESTING APPARATUS COMPRISING A STALK CHOPPER

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the specification (including at least one claim) and drawing(s) (if any) of which are attached hereto.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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